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VARIABLE VALVE TRAIN FOR A CAM-  
ACTIVATED LIFTING VALVE OF AN  
INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to initial evaluation, please amend this application as follows: